## RESPONSIBLE DESIGN

## ELEVEN QUESTIONS TO ASK BEFORE YOU DESIGN, SPECIFY OR BUY ANYTHING:

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- 1. Do we need it? Can we live without it?
- 2. Is the project designed to minimize waste?
- 3. Can it be smaller, lighter or made from fewer materials?
  - 4. Is it designed to be durable or multi-functional?
    - 5. Does it use renewable resources?
    - 6. Is reuse practical and encouraged?
- 7. Are the product and packaging refillable, recyclable or repairable?
- 8. Is it made with post-consumer recycled or reclaimed materials and how much?
- 9. Are the materials available in a less toxic form? Can it be made with less toxic materials?
  - 10. Is it available from a socially and environmentally responsible company?
    - 11. Is it made locally?

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